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IN REPLY REFER TO HDA-CA Document #: S49191

Mr. Will Kempton, Director California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street, Mail Station 82 P.O. Box 942874 Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Re: FY 2004/05 to 2005/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; SCAG Highway and

Transit RTIP Amendment #22

Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

We have completed our review of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2004/05 to 2004/07 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Amendment #22, as requested by your letter of May 16, 2006. The amendment includes modifications to both the highway and transit elements of the RTIP.

In accordance with 23 CFR 450 and the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, we approve this amendment. Based on our review, we find SCAG's RTIP Amendment #22 was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

Additionally, as required by 40 CFR parts 51 and 93, the RTIP, as amended, is found to conform to the applicable SIP in accordance with Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended by 942 USC 7504, 7506(c) and (d). Per 40 CFR 93.122(g), the conformity determination relied on the previous regional emissions analysis. Moreover, this amendment has been coordinated with the Regional Offices of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The SCAG FTIP Amendment #22 is approved and included into California's 2004/05-06/07 FSTIP, with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements. Project number IMP050904 is approved as described in the SCAG narrative, with all funding being programmed for right-of-way. Based on conversations with SCAG staff, funding identified for construction in the project listing was a typographical error. This approval is based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.





If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Jean Mazur of the Federal Highway Administration at (916) 498-5732 or Mr. Ted Matley of the Federal Transit Administration at (415) 744-2590.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie Rogers

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